(a) the number of typists and stenographers in his Ministry and subordinate offices who are yet to be trained in Hindi typing and Hindi stenography;

(b) the reasons for not giving them such training, so far; and

(c) by when it is planned to give them such training?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABH BHAI KATHIRIA) : (a) to (C) In the Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises, out of available 35 LDCs, (Typists) and 23 stenographers, only 8 eligible typists and 8 eligible stenographers are yet to be trained in Hindi typing/stenography. Training is a continuous process and staff is deputed for training keeping in view the exigencies of work.

Heavy Industries Running in Loss

†3120. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL :
SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH :

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there are large number of heavy industries run by Government which are constantly running in loss and now they have been declared sick industries;

(b) if so, the number of such sick industries; and

(c) the total quantum of capital invested by Government upto March, 2000 in these sick industries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABH BHAI KATHIRIA) : (a) to (c) As on 31.3.99, there were 50 CPSUs under Department of Heavy Industries (DHI) including two holding companies of which 25 CPSUs were sick and registered with BIFR. The total capital investment, in terms of equity participation and long term loan, made by the Central Government in these sick CPSUs as on 31.3.99, the period for which information is available, was Rs. 2653.59 crores.

† Original notice of the question received in Hindi.